

GIFT GIVING IDEAS

Sometimes, It *Is* Better To Give Than To Receive

(NAPSA)—The next time you have an occasion to give a gift, you may be able to get a great present and give yourself something too: peace of mind.

Parents and children, husbands and wives, siblings, friends, even employers can help themselves to happiness when they give a cell phone.

It's the gift that lets you stay in touch with your children, keep an eye on wireless costs, be more comfortable about the safety of elderly relatives, know when your spouse will be working late and know how to get in touch with other important people in your life, especially with a prepaid plan. There's no contract locking into the service and you only have to pay for the minutes used.

One popular prepaid plan, TracFone Wireless, lets you carry over unused minutes from month to month and the minutes do not expire as long as the service is active.

Don't worry about breaking the bank. The company offers a one year convenience card for only \$89.99—that's less than \$7.50 a month and even includes 150 free airtime minutes. The wireless service is headache-free—no contracts, monthly fees, security deposits, activation charges or age restrictions.

Today, most prepaid wireless plans offer free convenience features including Call Waiting, Caller ID, and voicemail.

Text messaging is an increasingly popular way to communicate, especially among young people. It's a great way to converse with friends and family that's convenient and inexpensive too. Teens also appreciate the cool



A prepaid cell phone is a fun, practical, hassle-free gift.

color screen savers, attractive wallpaper and musical ringtones now available for prepaid phones.

When shopping for a prepaid plan for the younger generation, look for a prepaid service that shows the actual airtime balance on the phone's display for ease of tracking usage.

Worried about high rates?

Some plans are especially well suited to heavy users. One of the latest prepaid plans on the market, NET10, lets you pay 10 cents per minute for all calls—local, long distance and roaming. That's about as simple as it gets.

If you're looking for a group gift idea and the recipient is considering replacing landline service, go for the \$79 NET10 phone plus a \$300 card that includes 3,000 minutes and a year of service ensuring the present lasts the whole year through.

For more information on prepaid plans, visit www.tracfone.com or www.net10.com.